

THE GOSPEL OF MARK

SERVANTHOOD & SACRIFICE IN A SELFIE WORLD

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Sermon Notes

Secret Identity: More Than Meets The Eye | Mark 12:35-44
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1. THE _____ [Mark 12:35-37]: Only Jesus qualifies as the Saviour _____.

2. THE _____ [Mark 12:38-40]: Trade the _____ parade.

3. THE _____ [Mark 12:41-44]: Complete surrender completes _____.

_____ reveals your secret identity.

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QUESTIONS

ICEBREAKER: Who is the oldest person you know personally? What interesting stories have they told you?

1. What was the role of the Holy Spirit to ensure the inspiration and authority of Scripture [Mark 12:36]? Also consider Acts 1:16; Acts 28:23-27; and 2 Peter 1:19-21.
2. What do you learn about the coming Messiah from Psalm 110 [quoted by Jesus in Mark 12:36]? Also examine Acts 2:34-35; 1 Corinthians 15:20-28; and Hebrews 1:8-13.
3. Why is faked spirituality so reprehensible in the sight of God [Mark 12:38-40]? Look up Matthew 6:1, 5-6; Matthew 23:2-12; and Luke 11:42-44 for more insights.
4. How are believers to treat those who are powerless and vulnerable in society [Mark 12:40]? Also study Proverbs 31:8-9; Isaiah 1:16-17; and James 1:27.
5. How should Christians contribute to the work of God to receive His blessing [Mark 12:41]? Gain more clues by turning to 1 Chronicles 29:6-9; 2 Corinthians 9:6-9; and Philippians 4:14-20.
6. What do you find inspirational about the circumstances and actions of the widow as she contributed to the Lord's work [Mark 12:44]? Explore Acts 11:27-30; 2 Corinthians 8:1-7; and James 2:1-7 for further ideas.
7. What did you find helpful or challenging about this Sunday's message?

"Do you wish to be great? Then begin by being little. Do you desire to construct a vast and lofty fabric? Think first about the foundations of humility. The higher your structure is to be, the deeper must be its foundation. Modest humility is beauty's crown." (Saint Augustine)